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Fort Madison Bridge closures begin March 4

NIOTA – The Illinois Department of Transportation announced several closures of the bridge carrying Illinois 9 over the Mississippi River at Niota.

The closures will occur from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 4, from 5:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 9 and from 5:30 a.m. to noon on March 16 and 17. The closures are necessary to make structural repairs to the bridge. A detour will be posted.

No traffic will be permitted to cross the bridge during the scheduled repairs, and motorists should allow for extra travel time. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to changed conditions and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits, refrain from using mobile devices and be alert for workers and equipment.

Over the next six years, IDOT is planning to improve more than 3,300 miles of highway and 8.4 million square feet of bridge deck as part of the Rebuild Illinois capital program, which is investing \$33.2 billion into all modes of transportation. Year One included approximately \$2.7 billion of improvements statewide on 1,706 miles of highway, 128 bridges and 228 additional safety improvements.

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